

"Democracy is based upon the conviction that there are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people"  
—Dr. H. E. Fordick

# The Northfield Press

"Truth, justice, and the welfare of man depend on individuals with the courage and opportunity to express their opinions."  
—Lancelot Whyte

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## INAUGURAL DAY FOR LITTLE LEAGUE AS TWO TEAMS OPEN SEASON SATURDAY

Opening day for "Little League" competition in Northfield will see the "Red Sox" facing the "Blue Sox" at the Northfield High School grounds, Saturday, July 23, at 2:30 p. m.

The two teams composed of 8-12 year olds, meeting in a six inning game will be fully uniformed and equipped for the first game in a four out of seven series.

Following the conclusion of the series an all-star team will be chosen for further competition and possible tournament play.

The two teams are evenly matched with three 12 year olds and one 8 year old, and the cumulative ages are 155 and 156.

Members of both squads have been selling tickets for the game in order to finance the purchase of uniforms and equipment. An anonymous donor made it possible to see that all the boys were in uniform.

The two squads are as follows:

**Blue Sox - age and position**  
Joe Fournier (12) — c  
Gary Casey (9) — p  
Doug Pearsall (11) — p  
Peter Jack (11) — 1b  
Charles Repeta, Jr. (11) — 2b  
William James (10) — ss  
Ted Miller (11) — 3b  
John True (9) — inf.  
Ronald Quinlan (11) — inf.  
Jackie Mann (9) — of  
David Martin (11) — of  
Jim Mackie (12) — of  
David Gibson (8) — of  
Russell Reed (9) — of  
Jackie Ware (12) — of

**Red Sox - age and position**  
Seth Parker (10) — c  
George Mello (11) — p  
Fred Avery (9) — p  
John Mankowsky (12) — 1b  
Don Hiller (11) — 2b  
Stanley Gaida (9) — ss  
Steve Matosky (12) — 3b  
Paul Jordan (11) — inf.  
Dana Clough (8) — inf.  
David Hiller (9) — of  
David Scott (12) — of  
Billy Smith (11) — of  
Gerry Stebbins (10) — of  
Bob Reines (10) — of  
Bradley Rogers (10) — of

Three more members will be added to each squad following Thursday's practice session. Uniforms will be distributed at the Friday night workout.

George Casey and Jim Spaulding will manage the "Blue Sox" while Stanley Gaida and Dick Hiller will handle the "Red Sox".

Harold Lord will provide public address system facilities for the announcement of line-ups.

Umpires for the game will be: Phil Holton, at the plate; Chet Wasileski, 1st base; Joe Holton, 2nd base; Peter Holton, 3rd base. All in the family.

## CPC Meets Next Week At the Town Hall

The Central Planning Committee of Northfield will meet next Friday, July 29, at 8 p. m., at the town hall.

Five new members were voted into membership at the last meeting. The total membership of the CPC now stands at 30, with nearly all the organizations in the town represented.

Plans were made at the last meeting to have each regular member of the CPC bring a guest to the next meeting. The suggestion was made in order that more people would have the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the workings and aims of the CPC.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 23,  
"Little League" baseball game. High School grounds. 2 p. m.  
"Red Sox" vs the "Braves".  
July 24,  
Historical Society Museum open. 3 to 5 p. m.  
July 25,  
Roller Skating party at South Deerfield rink.  
July 28,  
Food sale, Unitarian ladies. On Unitarian Church lawn 3 p. m.  
August 5,  
Annual Bazaar, Day lawn, East Northfield, 3 p. m. Congregational church building fund.  
August 13,  
American Legion Auxiliary food sale, McEwan lawn, 3 p. m.  
August 17,  
VFW meeting, post home, 8 p. m.  
August 23 and 24,  
Garden club flower show at the Chateau.

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## USA Recruiting Team Visits the Town

"I've never seen anything like it," said M. Sgt. Francis G. Dunbar, when the PRESS asked him about the NEW Army and U. S. Air Force.

Sgt. Dunbar, a member of the three man recruiting team visiting Northfield last Wednesday, and a 19-year man himself, added that they wanted to bring the many advantages of Army and Air Force service to young high school graduates in the small towns along the Conn. River.

Sgt. Dunbar pointed out the many opportunities now offered the high school student upon enlisting in either branch of the service, including a choice of 40 different schools, Aviation Cadet Openings, Officer Candidate Schools, and many others.

The new pay bill now before Congress, continued Sgt. Dunbar, will mean an increase in a married soldier's allowance from the present \$67.50 to \$105.00. He also pointed out the many attractive opportunities offered the ex-serviceman when he reenlists in the Army or the Air Force.

Members of the team, in addition to Sgt. Dunbar, were Sgt. Cote and Lt. Ronald Siddell.

A new combat film, "True Glory", was shown at the high school following the Northfield A. A.-Monarch A. C. baseball game.

Sgt. Dunbar added that further information about Army or U. S. Air Force opportunities could be had at the U. S. Army and Air Force Recruiting Station in the Post Office Building, Greenfield.

## High Winds and Rain Break Heatwave

The heat wave that has settled in this area like a blanket for many weeks was momentarily broken at 4 o'clock this past Wednesday afternoon when a heavy rain swept the area. The rain was accompanied by high winds, thunder and lightning.

A number of trees were felled by the wind, including part of a large locust tree on the front lawn of Robert F. Barnes of Lower Main street. The tree, in falling, brought down power and telephone lines, and forced traffic to detour along Beers Plain road, until workmen were able to clear the road for travel.

Lightning struck in a number of places, but damage was restricted mainly to fallen trees.

The silo under construction at the Lee Sheldon farm was blown down by the wind, leaving the framework and scaffolding standing.

Many homes in the community were without power for a period of one hour and telephone service was disrupted in some cases.

The forests and streams of the state were also reopened on Wednesday after having been closed for many weeks, thus giving the fishermen an opportunity to make up for lost ground.

## Village Carnival At Morgan Memorial Camp

A home-made carnival at the Hayden Village provided fun for 300 campers at the Morgan Memorial Fresh Air Camps, South Athol, Massachusetts.

Clowns, Indians, Carnival Barkers, Wild-man, Horsemen, and special stunt features and performers entertained the boys and girls for three hours from 4:30 to 7:30 last Tuesday evening, July 19th. The 62 boys of the Hayden Village, from 14 to 17 years of age were busy constructing their concessions for stunts and games of skill.

The camp is set up on the cabin plan, each with its own Indian name — Seneca, Mohawk, Onondaga, Cayuga, Onondaga, and Tuscorora. As a part of the daily work plan of the Village some boys plan and develop the Carnival entertainment, while others work on Village improvement projects.

A Rodeo, a horseshow under the leadership of Mr. Lester Le Grande of Athol provided an exhibition of stunt and competitive riding for the Morgan Memorial Camp children — from 6 to 18 years of age.

Through the courtesy of Mrs. Hamilton of the Orange Airport, a shower of peanuts descended upon the Carnival group, providing a peanut scramble for the children.

## Warwick Reunion Held August 20

The 55th annual reunion of the Warwick Old Residents Reunion Association will be held Saturday, August 20 and the reunion dance takes place on Friday evening, August 19, with music by Gauthier's orchestra.

The program on Saturday will start with children's sports at 10 a. m., followed by dinner from 12 to 1 p. m., at the Warwick Inn. Moving pictures will be shown at Metcalf Chapel at 2:15 featuring a comedy for the youngsters, and at 3 o'clock Warwick and Northfield will engage in a baseball game at the recreation field. A sound track will provide music throughout the day.

The menu for the supper at the town hall from 6 to 7:30 will include baked ham, baked beans, salads, brown bread, rolls, relish, pies and coffee, all for 85c.

The evening entertainment, beginning at 8 p. m., will be held in the Unitarian Church, featuring an address "Craftsmen at Work" by the curator at Strubridge Village. Motion pictures will also be shown.

## Dr. Bennett Installed At VFW Ceremonies

Dr. John W. Bennett, Commander of the Northfield Post, 9874, V. F. W., was installed as Surgeon, Department of Massachusetts, at ceremonies recently held at the Hotel Statler in Boston.

Dr. Bennett in addition to holding the above offices, is Commander of the Franklin County Council. Besides Dr. Bennett, all other state VFW and Auxiliary officers were installed at the colorful ceremonies in the Hotel Statler.

## Advent Christian Church News

A colored choir from the Harlem Baptist church, staying at a camp on Forest Lake, Winchester will sing at the services Sunday, July 24, 11 a. m. There will be a guest sermon as the Rev. Blackstone is at the Palmer Camp with 9 young people from this area. There will be a meeting of the Loyal Workers on July 29.

## Pool Committee Continues Study

The local swimming pool committee, engaged in a prolonged and efficient study of the local pool and recreation area development, met with Dr. Walter W. Lee, County public health official, for a discussion of possible pool sites.

Dr. Lee, who accompanied the committee on a tour of various proposed sites, made a number of suggestions which the committee has taken under advisement and will release publicly upon further study.

Figures are being consolidated on the amount of water running through the Bistrek site along "Wright's Brook" and when completed will be presented to the public.

Correspondence is now being exchanged with state Public Health officials in order to clarify previous statements made by that department. At the same time, Massachusetts is one of the three states not requiring Public Health regulations on swimming pools, although all swimming pools do attempt to conform to all laws and regulations set by state authorities.

A number of local people have been taking advantage of hastily constructed swimming pools, with improvised dams, on Warwick Brook as well as Wright's Brook at the Bistrek site.

## Repairing Underway At Friendship Center

Actual insulating work on the former AYH building was started early this week. It is expected that the entire job will be done by the end of this week, or, at the latest, early next week.

The building, recently acquired by Youth Argosy, Inc., will be painted immediately after the completion of the insulation, while work on the inside rooms will proceed simultaneously.

Repairs on the roof have been completed in addition to minor repairs on the structure itself.

The insulation work is being done by the Deasaro Building Co., of Shrewsbury, Mass., using "INSUL-WOOD" bonded insulation.

The Development Committee is preparing a complete plan for the use of the building, which eventually will offer office space, living quarters and facilities for recreation and education, as well as a year round outlet for local crafts, men and artists. Tentative plans include development of the barn on the property for recreation as well as the main 25-room building.

The building, now called "Friendship Center", will, according to development committee members be developed with the best interests of the town in mind.

## NEW ARRIVALS

BARNES  
In Brattleboro Memorial Hospital on July 15, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Ellis C. Barnes of Northfield.

DENISE — A daughter, Patricia Blackmore, July 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Denise of Syracuse, N.Y. Mrs. Denise is the youngest daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. D. O. Cowles.

## Salvation Army Music Camp

There is a music camp in session, with more than 60 members, housed at the Salvation Army Camp. The group is under the direction of Major Kenneth Ayers from Portland, Maine.

## WORLD FLIGHT ARGONAUTS SPAN THE CONTINENT, NOW OVER THE PACIFIC

Thirty-two American students and professional people are flying around the world this summer with Youth Argosy, National Headquarters in Northfield, on a good will educational tour — the first venture of its kind in history.

Equipped with collapsible bicycles, sleeping bags and simple clothing, the Americans will visit a score of countries on their 25,000 mile flight which will span three continents and penetrate a fourth.

The World Flight which took off in a DC-4 transport on July 10 from Bradley Field, Conn., is sponsored by Youth Argosy, Inc., a non-profit educational organization, strongly supported by the U. S. State Department. The carrier is Transocean Air Lines, a well-known charter service with an enviable safety record.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe W. Smith of Northfield, founders and co-directors of Youth Argosy, are personally conducting the round-the-world flight. The Smiths, prominent in youth work in this country and abroad for the past sixteen years, also founded the American Youth Hostel movement. Under their guidance thousands of young people have cycled, walked and ridden horse back through most countries of the world.

Although there is no age limit for participants in the World Flight most members are from 17 to 30 years old. There are 16 men and 16 women in the group representing 13 states and the Territory of Hawaii. Most passengers started from Bradley Field, but additional ones were picked up in Denver and San Francisco. Others will join in Honolulu and Tokyo.

Among those aboard are Ruth Nichols, internationally famous pilot, who, in acting as an extra pilot in addition to the Transocean crew, will become the first woman to pilot on a globe-girdling flight. Miss Nichols is acting also as a special correspondent for the U. S. Committee for the United Nations International Children's Fund.

Mr. Charles J. Dorkins, who is participating in the Youth Argosy trip as a cameraman was formerly employed by the Department of Public Information of the United Nations. Jan Gunnar Lindstrom, Acting Director of the Visual Information Division of the Department said of the world flight, "Even though this undertaking is not a part of the United Nations Information program we are very much interested in its performance and hope to be able to use some of the material obtained, in our film production."

"Youth Argosy's purpose," says Director Smith, "is to link youth with youth the world over regardless of creed or color. Our non-profit organization provides young people with safe and inexpensive transportation so they may form worthwhile friendships, enjoying the educational benefits of travel, and thereby gain a greater knowledge, love and understanding of the world."

"In New Delhi," reported Ernest W. Lefever, a Yale graduate student, "we expect an interview with Pandit Nehru, Prime Minister of India. Further, we expect to give a program over the All-India Radio." In Japan the group plans to meet Dr. T. Kagawa, the world-

famous Christian Social leader. In Honolulu local students from differing racial backgrounds will conduct a special tour for the Argonauts in their own cars. In most Far Eastern and Middle Eastern countries the Executive Secretaries of the YMCA will serve as host to the group, helping them to find low-cost accommodations and to plan their educational program.

Abdul Ghafur Sheikh, a 24-year-old Indian student from East Africa, the only non-American on the trip, has invited the group to visit his father's 125,000 acre estate near Nairobi, the capitol of Kenya, British East Africa. All efforts are being made to alter the itinerary to accept this invitation. If present plans go through the group will visit the following places: Honolulu, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok (Thailand), Calcutta, New Delhi, Addis Abeba (Ethiopia), Athens, Rome, Geneva and Frankfurt (Germany).

By flying at night three full days will be spent at most stop-overs. Arriving in Frankfurt on August 18, the group will divide into several sections. About ten are hoping to visit Hungary and Czechoslovakia. The group is scheduled to return to America on the SS Samaria, leaving Le Harve, France on September 10. This ship will carry 1,200 of the 4,000 Americans sent by Youth Argosy to Europe this summer. Several in the group, however, will return by air directly from Paris.

Participants in the World Flight will live simply, preparing their food en route in the kitchen of the Transocean DC-4. The sleeping bags and air-mattresses which saw their first service at the Oakland, Calif. Municipal Airport, will be used wherever beds are not available.

The cost of this pioneering journey to each participant is only \$1,455. This sum — less than half the price of a commercial trip around the world — covers nine weeks' expenses: food, lodging, 25,000 miles by air, land and sea, and the Transocean Air Lines, a non-schedule service, is the carrier for the World Flight and for a great volume of Youth Argosy's transatlantic passengers. Even though Youth Argosy did not secure a full load of 50 passengers according to the original plan, Col. Gray Elsmore, executive vice-president of Transocean, announced that he is willing to go through with the flight despite the financial loss involved.

"We are so impressed with the aims and ideals of the trip," the executive explained, "that we are willing to lose money on this first global flight." Monroe Smith, Argosy Director, pointed out that there probably will be several planes going around the world next summer if this pioneering effort succeeds. Twenty-five-year old Madeline Sherman of Northampton, Mass., a graduate student at Smith College, explained her reason for joining the flight in these words: "American students are becoming increasingly aware of world political events, because we know that no matter how distant they are, they affect eventually the life of every one of us. I want to visit foreign students in their own homes and meet their families. I have a hundred questions to ask and their answers will help make me a better student — and a better citizen too."

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**TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister.  
Sunday, July 24,  
11:00 a. m. Worshipping with the  
Presbyterian Conference at the  
Auditorium on the campus of the  
Northfield School for Girls. Dr.  
Theodore M. Taylor will preach.  
Monday, July 25,  
7:00 p. m. Cars will leave from  
the Aldrich store in East Northfield  
and the Glines pharmacy in North-  
field for the roller skating party at  
the South Deerfield rink. Your as-  
sistance with transportation will be  
appreciated.  
Friday, August 5,  
Bazaar on the Daly lawn for the  
benefit of the New Church Build-  
ing Fund.

**ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
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Rev. Elvin W. Blackstone  
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Sunday School, 11:45 a. m.  
Loyal Workers, 6:45 p. m.  
Praise Service, 7:30 p. m.

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Rev. Richard G. Sechrist, Minister.  
Services discontinued for July  
and August.

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Masses: First Sunday of Month,  
8:30 a. m. All other Sundays, 10:30  
a. m.

**FREE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Helen D. Bassett, Pastor  
Sunday, July 24,  
10:30 a. m. Service and Sermon.  
11:30 a. m. Sunday School.  
7:00 p. m. Prayer and Praise.  
Wednesday, July 27,  
Mid-week prayer meeting at the  
home of Mrs. Florence Jones.

### Historical Society

Sunday, July 24th from 3:00 to  
5:00, the second opening of the  
Museum of the Northfield Histor-  
ical Society is scheduled. This is  
another opportunity to view the  
collection and discuss with other  
visitors or attendants, with admis-  
sion free.

Recent acquisitions are 1, from  
Miss Mable Merriman, sister of  
the late Mrs. Frank Montague, their  
father's Civil War relics, including  
Capt. Charles Dwight Merriman's  
gun and record; 2, from Miss Nel-  
lie Nye a large blue vegetable dish  
of trade mark Ironstone, some 100  
years old; and 3, from Mrs. Charles  
Gunn grandfather Gunn's wedding  
vest 1849, just a century old; cor-  
sets of a great grandmother, born  
about 1790's, made of linen, leather  
and 36 wood stays, and housed in a  
pocket in front some gentleman's  
wood carving with initials and  
beats on a piece 3 inches by 10;  
also an excellent volume entitled  
THE SCHOLAR'S ARITHMETIC OR  
FEDERAL ACCOUNTANT by Daniel  
Adams, printed in 1805; and  
various other articles. This arith-  
metic is an excellent demonstration  
of what the metric system at least  
in money has since then done to  
simplify our education. This old  
volume is all but a foreign lan-  
guage. For instance, farthings, gill-

### THE "SQUEEZE" BOX

(Letters should be limited to 400  
words or less. All letters must be  
signed by the writer - the name  
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#### Status Quo!

July 19, 1949

Dear Taxpayer:  
The Franklin-Hampshire Council  
of the American Legion deserves the  
commendation of all civic mind-  
ed citizens for a resolution which  
they recently adopted for presenta-  
tion to their State Convention in  
Boston, and subsequent introduc-  
tion in the State Legislature. This  
veterans' group adopted a resolu-  
tion which provides for an end to  
the prevalent practice of discrimina-  
tion against the veteran in the  
filling of vacancies in positions of  
public trust, and requests that  
qualified veterans be given the  
preference which they deserve. The  
positions to which this resolution  
has reference are those which are  
filled by appointment by local Sel-  
ectmen, county Commissioners, etc.

One of the motivating factors be-  
hind this resolution was the pre-  
ponderance of evidence brought for-  
ward to show that the politicians  
in making appointments to these  
positions at the present time are  
ignoring veterans because they are  
too much about what is going on  
behind the scenes. They are fear-  
ful that the veteran is out to dis-  
turb the status quo.

The basic points of the resolu-  
tion are the following:

(1) Within 30 days after a vacan-  
cy occurs in a position, the ap-  
pointing authority would be re-  
quired to advertise in the local  
paper the fact that a vacancy did  
exist, that the vacancy would be  
filled by appointment, and that ap-  
plications for such an appointment  
would be received for a period of  
14 days from date of publication of  
notice.

(2) After a vacancy is filled by  
appointment, the appointing officer  
would be required to file with the  
courts an affidavit to the effect that  
the above requirements had been  
fulfilled, and also that a qualified  
veteran had been appointed to the  
position, or that no qualified veter-  
an had applied for the appointment.

The above requirements would  
put an end to the practice of mak-  
ing appointments before the gen-  
eral public and interested qualified  
applicants even learn that the va-  
cancy existed. It would put a stop  
to the practice of politicians of  
appointing their political cronies  
and relatives to these positions, and  
would open up vacancies to QUAL-  
IFIED VETERANS.

It behooves every serious-minded  
citizen to give his representatives  
in the state legislature "a shot in  
the arm" when this resolution  
comes before that body in the form  
of a bill.

Sincerely,  
Dan O'Keefe

ees, shillings, pence, pounds are  
now dollars and cents indicated by  
the decimal point, but in 1805 con-  
vertible in four tables from the  
English to the United States money  
for the 13 original states had four  
different values. The table con-  
verts farthings, pence, and shillings  
into dollars, cents, and mills, using  
a comma for the decimal point.  
Measurement of grain, cloth, land,  
etc., was equally awkward. This is  
one reason why we should be glad  
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B12, is showing great promise in  
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So reports Dr. Tom Spies, pro-  
fessor of nutrition and metabolism  
and chairman of the department in  
the Northwestern University medi-  
cal school, in the Southern Medical  
Journal.

Clinical research with this vita-  
min, conducted under Dr. Spies' di-  
rection, indicates that it is high-  
ly effective in extremely small  
amounts against pernicious anemia,  
nutritional macrocytic anemia,  
and tropical sprue.

Although another investigator re-  
cently revealed the vitamin's ef-  
fectiveness against pernicious  
anemia, it is believed that Dr.  
Spies is the first to disclose its  
blood regenerative properties in  
cases of nutritional macrocytic  
anemia and tropical sprue. He is  
much impressed with the potency  
of the new vitamin and states he  
knows of no therapeutic agent used  
in treating human diseases that is  
so effective per unit of weight as  
the new compound seems to be.

**Feet and Mouth Disease**  
Fears among some Mexican  
farmers that vaccination may  
serve to spread foot and mouth dis-  
ease are without foundation, says  
Dr. E. T. Simms, nationally known  
veterinary authority and chief of  
the U. S. bureau of animal indus-  
try. Recent reports stated that  
these fears have induced "some  
resistance" among Mexican farm-  
ers to the vaccination program  
now being carried on jointly by  
the United States and Mexico in  
an attempt to stop the spread of  
foot and mouth disease below the  
border. As long as foot and mouth  
disease vaccine is manufactured  
carefully and tested before it is ap-  
plied to livestock, there is no dan-  
ger that it will spread the disease  
Dr. Simms states.

**Queen Bee, Egg Layer**  
Under normal conditions there is  
only one queen bee to a colony, and  
her sole duty is to lay eggs. Al-  
though she is the mother of all the  
bees in the colony, she is lacking  
in mother instinct, apparently tak-  
ing no interest in her eggs or in  
the resultant larvae. She is in no  
sense a ruler, but is purely an egg-  
laying machine. Although she re-  
sembles the worker the queen is  
normally much longer than either  
the worker or the drone, especial-  
ly during the egg laying period,  
when her abdomen is greatly  
elongated. Her wings appear  
shorter than the worker's because  
of the greater proportionate length  
of her abdomen; and her thorax is  
slightly larger than the worker's  
but smaller than the drone's.

### INFORMATION

for  
VETERANS  
Questions - Answers

Q—I am a World War II veteran,  
and have named a beneficiary  
and a contingent beneficiary on  
my NSLI policy. Are both the  
beneficiary and contingent bene-  
ficiary included in the term "ben-  
eficiary" as used in the policy?

A—Yes, they are.  
Q—As administrator of a deceased  
World War II veteran's estate,  
may I file a claim for waiver of  
his NSLI premiums on the  
grounds that he was totally dis-  
abled for more than six months  
before his death?

A—Yes.  
Q—My brother, a World War II  
veteran, has been totally disabled  
if VA has adequate proof of total  
disability, will he have to file  
additional proof or are the re-  
quirements met by filing of a  
claim for waiver of NSLI pre-  
miums?

A—If the Veterans Administration  
has adequate proof of total dis-  
ability in its possession, the re-  
quirements are met by the timely  
filing of a claim for waiver of  
NSLI premiums.

Q—My father, a World War II  
veteran, names me as an heir in  
his will. May I file a claim for  
waiver of his NSLI premiums be-  
cause of his total disability?

A—Such a claim may be filed by  
the next of kin, or any person  
interested as an heir in the es-  
tate.

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This afternoon, with the thermometer registering 90 degrees F. again, I took time to be purposely idle and just dangle my feet over the edge of the piazza, wishing it were some old weatherbeaten wharf with the tide in and a spanking East wind. But after all, I am more than fortunate to be right here in Northfield, up high and dry (too dry, perhaps after what we've been through) with an almost uninterrupted horizon, plenty of sunshine and unlimited fresh air.

Think of those fortunate eighty-two Fresh Air youngsters just landed in Keene from New York, by courtesy of the New York Herald Tribune and certain New Hamp-

shire hostesses — youngsters, some of whom are seeing green grass for the first time in their lives and to whom milk has meant just something that comes in a bottle, like Coca Cola. It must be actually thrilling to have one or more of these city children in one's home, watch the wonder in their eyes and the color come into their pale cheeks. Perhaps there are even some of them being entertained here in Northfield; I understand there were some last year.

It pays to do nothing for a while and just watch the world go by, so to speak. I watched a solo-flying crow go straight up in a spiral so high that he became to lose my vision. The sun just above him, turned the edge of his curving wing to silver and I wondered whether it was hotter so high up but he didn't seem to mind. I thought of Icarus, and Daedalus plunging to his death with his man-made, scorched wings. Two

planes went over, of different types and in different directions, one straight over my head. What marvelous progress! Yet man is far from happy with all his skill and invention because much of it is expended in the wrong direction, also there is appalling destruction, even in so-called peace times that men must laboriously restore, if possible.

Here is a case in point: A neighbor in the eastern part of the State bought a vacant lot in the rear of his home lot and planted it to seedling peaches. The peaches grew into healthy trees just ready to blossom and bear fruit. Then the family moved away and the peach orchard became the property of another man. Did he say, "How wonderful to have those young peach trees!" He did not. He chopped everyone down with the shortsighted remark, "The peaches wouldn't be any good anyway." How little he knew! I have raised delicious peaches from stones myself — Crawfords, Crosbys and Elbertas.

This weather makes me think of the circus, partly because it was usually sizzling hot when the circus came to our town and the land of which I have just spoken was once a part of the circus grounds for Greater Lawrence. The whole countryside turned out on those occasions, eager to see the street parade, if nothing more, — women with babies in arms, men with bunches of balloons. All animals that could be exhibited were in line, the fierce ones "in durance vile", the horses gaily caparisoned and mounted by expert equestriennes. Then came the dignified elephants each grasping the tail of the one in front with his trunk (except the first trunk and the last tail). Then came gaily colored closed vehicles and the wide-eyed boys wondered whether the great pythons represented on the outside were really within. The steam callopes brought up the rear and played its limited repertoire.

Eventually the circus grounds developed into a residential section ambitiously called Belmont Park

(On the map). I well remember the last year the circus occupied a limited section of "Belmont Park", for houses were continually being erected. An "ailing female" of my acquaintance was quite distressed mentally, because the elephants were being parked outside her windows. She put cotton in her ears, retreated to a deep closet, shut the door and could only be induced to come out when driven by hunger or the need for sleep. What a woman! Speaking of circuses, I am going to listen tonight, over Radio Station WBZ or any one of the affiliated stations, as I always do, every Friday night at 7:30, to one of Mr. Alton Hall Blackington's inimitable "Yankee Yarns". He has announced the story of Barnum's sensational "Wild Man of Borneo" for tonight and it is going to be something quite out of the ordinary, or I miss my guess.

### Town Topics

The second annual Antique Show of the Orange Historical Society will be held in the Orange Town Hall on August 2, 3 and 4. Quite a number of residents and summer folk of Northfield are arranging for a bus to attend.

The flower show of the Millers Falls Garden Club will be held on Wednesday, August 24 in the Main street library at Millers Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Voorhies and family of Windsor, Conn., are spending their vacation at the Voorhies cottage in Pine Grove on Rustic Ridge.

Miss Lucy F. Jackson of Rustic Ridge has returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Madison, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Waaser and family of Queens Village, N. Y., are spending the summer at their cottage on the Ridge.

Progress is being made in the erection of the new poles for the electric service on the Ridge. Blasting in solid rock is necessary in most locations. It is not expected that the work of stringing the wires can be completed until the middle of August. In the Pine Grove sec-

tor provision is being made for telephone service.

The Misses Esther and Rose Ladinski are having a cruise on the Great Lakes during their vacations.

Mr. and Mrs. James Goodwin and children Danny and Kathy, left Monday for a week's vacation in Franklin, Pennsylvania, where they will visit Mr. Goodwin's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lundy of Ashland, Mass., are spending the week end with her mother, Mrs. Shirley Kehl of Parker avenue.

The Misses Maude and Carolyn Curtis, Alta Hale, and Ethel Wooster entertained a house party in their respective homes on the ridge over the past week end. The guests were Mrs. Esta Osman, and the Misses Margaret Holmes, Nona Reed, Flora Liester, and Lucy Curtis, all from Bridgeport, Conn. Also Miss Helen Pragan of Milford, Conn., and the Misses Marjorie Banks and Eleanor Dimick of Fairfield, and Dr. Vera M. Butler, Associate Professor of Education in Connecticut College for Women in New London, Conn. All are members of Delta Kappa Gamma, the National Sorority of Teachers.

Miss Ethel Wooster has had as house guests at "Bide-a-Wee" during this week, Miss Lucy Curtis of Bridgeport, Conn., the Misses Cecile and Mabel Houghton of Worcester, and the Misses Bernice Net-

leton, Bessie Hatch and Mildred Lovejoy, also of Bridgeport.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cook of Foxboro has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. George W. Carr for the past three weeks.

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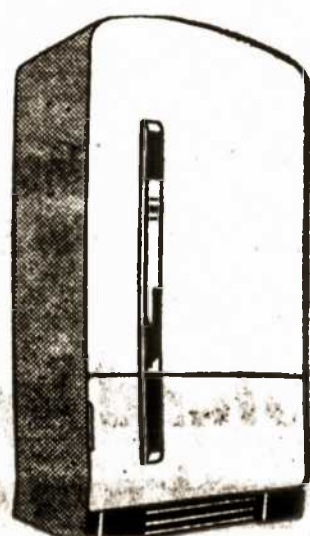
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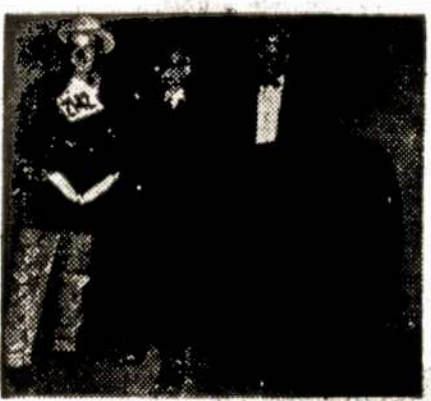
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In recent years much has been discovered about livestock diseases due to dietary influences. In this connection, the U. S. department of agriculture says: "Whenever a vital function . . . is interrupted owing to continued failure of the diet to supply sufficient quantities of essential nutrients, or to the inability of the body to utilize these nutrients, the so-called nutritional diseases develop."

### Grand Champ



Grand champion of the 49th International Live Stock exposition at Chicago was "Old Gold," a 1,200-pound Black Angus Junior, shown with C. E. Yoder (left) of Muscatine, Iowa, the owner. In the center is Henry Marshall, president of the exposition, and at right is A. D. Weber of Kansas state college, the judge who picked the winner.

### 'Love Apple' Popular

The scarcity of tomatoes in the past year's otherwise abundant harvests recalls something of the history of this romantic fruit-vegetable.

A sharp drop in production in some of the nation's principal tomato-growing areas means smaller domestic stocks of tomato soup, juices, stews, ketchup and chili sauce this winter. Unseasonable weather is given as the cause.

One hundred years ago the tomato was just beginning an uphill fight for respectability as a food.



Incidentally, the Indians of the Andes had cultivated it since about 1000 A. D. The Aztecs of Mexico gave it the name that Cortez men altered into "tomato"—and they probably said "toh-mah-toe." And the Spaniards took it back to Europe, but there it was recognized as a member of the deadly nightshade family.

It was wrinkled and small and was known as the "love apple" in Europe and, later, in North America. And for centuries the supposedly poisonous fruit was nothing more than a garden ornament.

### Paper Lining Doubles Effect of Light Shades

Lights around the house often seem dim at the time of year when evenings are longer. But light from lamps often can be increased by arranging for simple and better reflection.

Light colors reflect light, dark colors absorb it. A white paper lining or a coat of white paint—or even white shoe polish on the inside of a lamp shade may double or triple the light given off.

## Clean Clothes, First Step Towards Moth Eradication

Cleaning woolen clothing before it is stored is a "must" rule as insurance against moth damage. Clothes cleaning alone, however, is just one-half of the recommended procedure to gain moth-proof storage. Clothes closets, trunks or storage boxes also require treating, according to Miss Lucy Lane, Oregon state college extension specialist.

Before storing clothing Miss Lane recommends that an oil base DDT spray applied to trunk or box linings as well as to closet woodwork, baseboard and shelves gives protection against clothes moths and carpet beetles. She points out that oil base sprays do not leave a discolored white deposit similar to that resulting from a water base spray. Oil sprays also have the advantage of being effective for several months.

On clothing, cleaning solvent used for dry cleaning will kill moths or larvae. Larvae are the worms hatched from moth eggs. They are the culprits which do the damage to clothes. The young moth worm feeds on fibers saturated with body oils or grease.

Moth damage is most likely to result in closets where the insects are not disturbed for long periods.

### Benjamin Franklin's Dress

Franklin always paid a great deal of attention to dress, both his own and women's. He was far from being a fop, but he was always appropriately dressed. In France, for instance, he at first wore a conical cap, because he knew the French liked to think of him as a man out of the wilderness. When he appeared at the French court after the treaty of aid and friendship between France and the United States, he wore no wig or sword, but simple brown velvet, white hose, his hair hanging loose, and a white hat under his arm. "He was much the most conspicuous among the envoys," a spectator said. Women's clothes always interested him and he often wrote in his letters detailed descriptions of what the fine ladies of London and Paris were wearing. He told one of his young woman friends, "As to rouge, the French women don't pretend to imitate nature in laying it on. There is no gradual diminution of the colour to the faint tint near the sides, nor does it show differently in different faces."

**Electric and Mechanical Toys**  
Electric toys should never be handled with wet hands. If a youngster has been playing in the rain or snow, he should put on dry clothing before playing with electric toys. A heavy mitten worn by a child when using a play electric iron or stove will help prevent hand burns. All electric toys should be of approved design and construction such as those bearing the label of the Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. All electric toys should be maintained in a safe condition. At the first sign of a defect, the necessary repairs should be made or the toy discarded.

## Home Dressmakers Urged To Avoid Homemade Touch

Any homemaker who sews wants her garments to have a professional look. Yet, many garments made at home have the homemade touch, a term that clothing manufacturers use to describe incorrectly-made clothing.

A few simple tricks used in making a garment at home will result in a professional looking dress or suit, according to Miss Mabel McDowell, extension clothing specialist of the Pennsylvania State college.

She points out that one of the common errors in dressmaking is cutting the cloth so that the grain does not fall perpendicular to the floor. This usually happens when a homemaker has cut the material on round or narrow surfaces where the fabric will not lie flat. Moving the pattern off the grain in order to save material is another cause for this.

Stretching the fabric while making a garment can make the difference between the professional and the homemade touch, too. Professional clothing makers use machine-stitched staylines. Staylines are reinforced lines around all necklines, armholes, shoulders, waistlines, and plackets. Staylines, sewed before putting the garment together, are placed just inside the seam line, between the seam line and edge of material, and are always stitched with the grain of the material.

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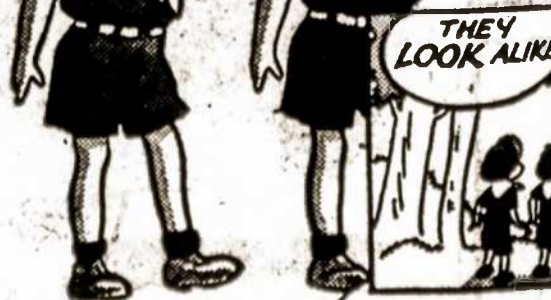
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